




State of Louisiana
DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES
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STATE MINERAL AND ENERGY BOARD

TO: STATE MINERAL AND ENERGY BOARD MEMBERS

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LEGAL AND TITLE CONTROVERSY COMMITTEE AGENDA

The regular meeting of the Legal and Title Controversy Committee of the State Mineral and Energy Board will be held on September 12, 2012, following the Audit Committee Meeting, in the LaBelle Room, First Floor, LaSalle Building located at 617 North Third Street, Baton Rouge, Louisiana.

Items on the Agenda are as follows:

1. A request for final approval of an Operating Agreement by and between the State of Louisiana, through the State Mineral and Energy Board and Texas Petroleum Investment Company, to create an operating tract for the exploration and development of oil, gas and/or condensate and other liquid hydrocarbons, which proposal allocates to the State a State Production Interest equal to 25% before payout, increasing to 25.5% after payout, in and to the Operating Tract, whereas operator desires and intends to obtain production from the E. H. Peterman No. 6 Well, SN 63863, covering a portion of former State Lease No. 17852, containing .866 acres, more or less, Iberia Parish, Louisiana, with further particulars being stipulated in the instrument, on the docket as Item No. 12-25.
2. A request for final approval of a Compromise Agreement and Release by and between the State of Louisiana, ex rel., The Department of Natural Resources and the Louisiana Office of Mineral Resources and Albert A. Prats, Jr., et al, regarding pending litigation entitled Chevron USA, Inc., et al, v. State of Louisiana, et al, Suit Nos. 46-169, 16-170, 16171, 48-696, 48-697, and 49-438, Division A, Plaquemines Parish, State of Louisiana, whereas said parties desire to settle a dispute between the state and other claimants, affecting State Lease Nos. 15918, 16628 and 17382,

Plaquemines Parish, Louisiana, with further particulars being stipulated in the instrument, on the docket as Item No. 12-29.

3. A request by Energy Properties, Inc. for authority to negotiate with Staff for an Operating Agreement on a 40 acre tract affecting a portion of former State Lease No. 11136 located in Couba Island Field, Jefferson and St. Charles Parishes, Louisiana.
4. An update by Staff regarding the demand made to Chesapeake Louisiana, L.P. for the partial release of State Lease No. 19459 located in Caddo and DeSoto Parishes.
5. A request by Wadi Petroleum, Inc. for the waiver of all or a portion of the liquidated damage assessment levied on the late partial release of State Lease No. 17991 in the amount of \$34,700.00, Terrebonne Parish.
6. A request by Chevron U.S.A. Inc. to: 1) amend the lease to extend the deferred development period on State Lease No. 19547 for one (1) year in return for the payment of the full bonus price per acre on the deferred development acreage, with an option for an additional year's extension of the deferred development period in return for the payment of a rental payment per acre on the deferred development acreage, and 2) amendment of State Lease Nos. 19534 and 19536 to extend the primary terms of each in consideration of the payment of a full bonus with an option to Chevron U.S.A. Inc. to extend the primary terms for an additional one (1) year period in consideration of the payment of a full bonus, with no increase of royalty, and 3) amendments of State Lease Nos. 19537 and 19540 to extend the primary term for one (1) year in consideration of the payment of a full bonus and a one-half (½) percent increase in the royalty for each lease, with the option to Chevron U.S.A. Inc. to further extend the primary term for an additional year in consideration of the payment of a full bonus per each lease only.
7. A discussion in executive session of the pending litigation entitled: **State of Louisiana v. ASA Properties, LP, et al**, Suit No. 72779, Division "B", Parish of DeSoto, State of Louisiana.
8. A discussion in executive session of the pending litigation entitled: **State of Louisiana ex rel Plaquemines Parish School Board v. Louisiana Department of Natural Resources**, Suit No. 2011-CA-1734, 4th Circuit Court of Appeals, State of Louisiana.

The Committee may discuss other matters as it desires pursuant to La. R.S. 42:7(A)(1)(b)(ii), including matters which may validly be held in executive session pursuant to La. R. S. 42:6, especially 42:6(1)(A)(2)&(6).